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From the Editor . . .

This issue marks the belated return of the student-written comment section to the pages of the JOURNAL. The Editors were quite concerned this past year that the most recent case commentary appeared in the Spring 1966 issue. Although delaying the publication date of the Fall issue, the Editors hope that, precedent having once again been established, student comments will continue as a regular feature of each future issue, and that the analysis and critique of decisions and legislation of particular importance to the Colorado bar and the legal profession will serve a useful function. Traditionally, a distinction has been made in law review circles between the student comment and the longer and more exhaustive student note. The JOURNAL has continued the practice of publishing student notes over the years, but the absence of the comment, noted for its brevity and analysis of a narrow area of law, has left a distinct gap in our continual efforts toward publication of a "well-rounded" JOURNAL that is responsive to the desires of our readership. Although maligned by certain segments of academia, brief commentary on recent decisions or legislation of particular import *can* serve a valuable function. As a preparatory tool for the future practice of law, JOURNAL members can hone their skills of legal research and writing. That law review members are generally recognized by the legal profession as better trained in research and writing cannot be attributed solely to the high academic standards for membership on a review. The opportunity for a student to publish his work in one of the recognized scholarly journals of our profession serves as a requirement that his writing be of a quality befitting publication. In addition, the comment has traditionally provided a ready source of initial research for the practitioner or judge confronted with a similar case or problem. The comment does not purport to be a thorough and exhaustive discussion of all the broader legal issues involved in a case or statute; it does purport to be a brief analysis that goes beyond the cursory report of recent decisions found, for example, in the Judicial Highlights section of the West Publication Company advance sheets. It was these concerns and thoughts of the JOURNAL Editors that motivated the reemergence of the student comment section.

The special issue of the JOURNAL devoted to Legal Aspects of Student-Institutional Relationships, published last November, has been very well received by the academic and legal community. Orders for the issue have been arriving at a brisk pace, keeping our business office continually hopping. The Editors are quite proud of the mark being made by the special issue in the growing sphere of debate and discussion on student academic freedom.

"Riots and the Law" is the subject of the upcoming Winter symposium issue. More than a dozen articles will be included, featuring the papers presented at the "Winter Rights — Summer Riots" conference held in Philadelphia last summer in conjunction with the American Bar Association convention. The Editors envision a favorable response to the issue, and we hope it will be a significant contribution to the growing volume of literature in this volatile area.

Just a brief addendum to the article by Mr. Barkley Clark, "The Revolution in Consumer Credit Legislation," appearing in this issue: The Uniform Consumer Credit Code has recently been introduced in the Colorado Legislature. As this issue goes to press, the bill has not yet emerged from that deliberative body, but it is hoped that Mr. Clark's contribution will enhance passage of this valuable piece of legislation.

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